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ENT 31213 - Microfinance

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Instructions

Answer for Five (05) questions only.

Question 01

I. There is a lesser representation of low-income individuals in formal financial sector.

Briefly explain the reasons why low-income individuals are not properly represented in the formal financial sector.

(06 Marks)

II. "Microfinance helps the financially marginalized individuals by providing them with the necessary capital to start a business and work towards financial independence." Discuss the importance of microfinance for financially marginalized individuals.

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(08 Marks)

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Question 02

I. Briefly explain the minimalist and integrated approaches used in microfinancing.

(06 Marks)

II. Discuss the challenges faced by microfinance institutes in delivering financial services.

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(Total 14 Marks)

Question 03

I. Briefly explain the three major financial inclusion indicators with reference to microfinance.

(06 Marks)

II. "Government is playing a key role in financial inclusion." Discuss the role of the government in financial inclusion.

(08 Marks)

(Total 14 Marks)

Question 04

I. Briefly explain suitable strategies that can be applied for market growth in Sri Lankan microfinance sector.

(06 Marks)

II. Discuss the concept of Information Asymmetry in relation to microfinance.

(08 Marks)

(Total 14 Marks)

Question 05

I. Briefly explain the importance of financial literacy and skills for women.

(06 Marks)

II. Discuss the economic impact of microfinance at individual, household, enterprise, and community level.

(08 Marks)

(Total 14 Marks)

Question 06

Write short notes on the following.

- I. Downsides of microfinance
- II. Group lending method
- III. Grameen bank model
- IV. The triangle of microfinance

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